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TICKET HIERARCHY

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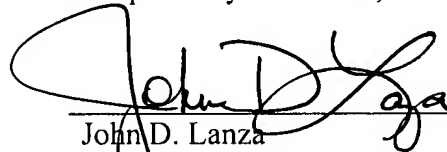
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C6	Simon et al., "A Cryptographic Protocol to Obtain Secure Communications in Extended Ethernet Environment," <i>Proc. 17th Conf. on Local Computer Networks</i> , 254-261, IEEE CS Press, 1992.
C7	Neuman et al., <i>The Kerberos Network Authentication Service (V5)</i> , Internet draft, work in progress, Sep. 2004.
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